



**Hoylake Holy Trinity**  
**C of E Primary School**

# Uniform Policy

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## 1. Introduction

1.1 It is our policy that all children should be encouraged to wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a list of the items suggested for school uniform on our school website and they are listed below for ease of reference.

1.2 The DfE (Department for Education) 'strongly encourages schools to have a uniform' as they believe 'it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and set an appropriate tone.'

## 2. Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging;
- builds a sense of identity;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be);
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents;
- supports positive behaviour;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

## 3. Items of uniform

3.1 Our school uniform consists of a grey skirt, trousers or shorts, a white shirt or white/green polo top and a green jumper or cardigan (not hoodies). Children must also wear black school shoes (not trainers). Some children choose to wear a school tie although this is optional.

3.2 Our Summer uniform consists of a green summer dress or grey shorts. Summer uniform is optional, not compulsory.

3.3 Our school PE kit consists of plain black or navy joggers/shorts and a green PE t-shirt. Children may also wear a plain black or navy jacket. Hoodies and jumpers in other colours are **not allowed**.

3.4 Generic uniform items are accepted and there is no requirement for school uniform to be branded with the school badge. All of our uniform items can be purchased from ID uniforms or from all supermarkets.

## 4. Jewellery

4.1 In accordance with the Local Authority requirements on health and safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school.

4.2 The exceptions to this rule are small, simple studs in pierced ears, small objects of religious significance or wristwatches. "Smart" watches are strictly prohibited.

4.3 On days when children have Physical Education lessons and/or sporting activities, they should not wear jewellery to school. If children do attend school with jewellery, they will be asked to remove objects before Physical Education lessons or any other lessons where the wearing of such items constitutes a potential safety risk. Teachers and other members of staff do not take responsibility for the safe keeping of jewellery which has been removed.

## **5. Health and Safety**

5.1 Mid to long length hair should be tied back at all times. Hair accessories should be minimal and in keeping with the school colours of green and grey.

5.2 The wearing of false nails is not permitted.

## **6. The Role of Parents/Carers**

6.1 We ask all parents/carers who send their children to our school to support the 'School Uniform Policy'. We believe that parents/carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and to support the policies of the school. Parents/carers should ensure that their child has the correct uniform (colours).

6.2 We appreciate that school uniforms can be an expensive purchase for families. It is not an expectation that all children wear clothing that contains the school badge, an un-embroidered uniform is absolutely fine. The PTA has a wide stock of pre-worn uniform in great condition. (Please contact the PTA for more information on this.) PTA second-hand uniform sales or swap shops are held at regular intervals throughout the school year.

6.3 Parents are asked to contact the school office if they are experiencing difficulty in meeting the cost of uniform expectations so that support can be offered.

## **7. The Role of the Governing Body**

7.1 The Governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

7.2 It is the Governing body's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities and that the school uniform policy is consistent with the school's policy on equal opportunities.

7.3 Governing body members ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

## **9. Monitoring and review**

This policy will be reviewed by the Governing body annually.